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Department of
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Agricultural Marketing Service

DATE: March 25, 2003

USDA BUYS: CHICKEN AND CHICKEN PRODUCTS; ENDS PROGRAM

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) today purchased 3,375,000 pounds of chicken and chicken products at a cost of approximately \$2,696,000 for school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs. Details of today's purchase follow:

Product	Pounds	Awarded Prices Inv. No. 21	No. of Bids Accepted
batter/breaded chicken	1,287,000	\$1.3350-\$1.3450	1 of 3
chilled bulk pack (small)	72,000	\$0.4699	1 of 1
chilled bulk pack (large)	2,016,000	\$0.4424-\$0.4675	2 of 3

It was also announced that the purchase program for chicken and chicken products is now complete.

Total purchases of chicken and chicken products since the program was announced on May 13, 2002, follow:

Product		Cumulative Pounds	Cumulative Dollars
cut-up chicken batter/breaded chicken chilled bulk pack chilled bulk pack chilled bulk pack chilled bulk pack	(small) (large) (thighs)	17,040,000 11,583,000 12,564,000 82,440,000 612,000	\$ 9,240,000 \$15,431,000 \$ 5,648,000 \$37,136,000 \$ 145,000 \$ 125,000

Inquiries may be made by telephoning (202) 720-7693 or addressing the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0260, 1400 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, D.C. 20250. An electronic version of this Food Purchase Report can be obtained through the world wide web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at <a href="http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp">http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp</a>.

The awards for chicken and chicken products made today under Announcement PY-259, Invitation 21, to be delivered from May 1 to May 15, follow:

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ANNOUNCEMENT : PY259
COMM GROUP : CHICKEN, FROZEN
INVITATION : 021

COMMODITY TYPE : CHICKEN, BREADED COOKED FZN CP

PACK SIZE : 30 LB CONTAINER

CONTRACTOR NAME: CONAGRA POULTRY COMPANY

PLANT ADDRESS : MOOREFIELD WV

ITEM	DESTINATION-		QUANTITY	PF	RICE PER
NUM	CITY	ST	(LBS )	(	(LB )
001	YANTIC	CT	39,000	\$	1.3400
002	BROCKTON	MA	39,000	\$	1.3400
003	BROCKTON	MA	19,500	\$	1.3450
	NATICK	MA	19,500	\$	1.3450
004	NATICK	MA	29,250	\$ \$	1.3450
	WILMINGTON	MA	9,750	\$	1.3450
005	SPRINGFIELD	MA	78,000	\$	1.3400
006	WILMINGTON	MA	117,000	\$ \$ \$	1.3400
007	DELAWARE CITY	DE	39,000	\$	1.3350
008	VINELAND	NJ	39,000	\$	1.3350
009	MOBILE	AL	18,900	\$ \$ \$	1.3400
	WINTER HAVEN	${ t FL}$	20,100	\$	1.3400
010	MIAMI PLANTATIO	${ t FL}$	195,000	\$	1.3400
011	MIAMI PLANTATIO	${ t FL}$	9,750	\$	1.3450
	TAMPA	${ t FL}$	29,250	\$ \$	1.3450
012	MIAMI PLANTATIO	${ t FL}$	24,000	\$	1.3450
	ORMOND BEACH	${ t FL}$	15,000	\$ \$ \$	1.3450
013	WINTER HAVEN	${ m FL}$	234,000	\$	1.3400
014	MCALESTER	OK	156,000	\$	1.3400
015	AMARILLO	TX	18,090	\$ \$ \$	1.3450
	SAN ANTONIO	TX	20,910	\$	1.3450
016	COMMERCE	CA	39,000	\$	1.3400
017	LAS VEGAS	NV	19,500	\$	1.3450
	RENO	NV	19,500	\$	1.3450
018	FOREST GROVE	OR	39,000	\$	1.3400

TOTAL AWARDED: 1,287,000

COMMODITY TYPE : CHICKEN, FRESH/FROZEN BULK SM PACK SIZE : 2 1/2 - 3 3/4 LB BULK PACK

CONTRACTOR NAME: GOLD KIST POULTRY CO. PLANT ADDRESS : SUMTER SC

ITEM	DESTINATIC	N	QUANTITY	PR	ICE PER
NUM	CITY	ST	(LBS )	(	LB )
019	SUMTER	SC	72,000	\$	0.4699

TOTAL AWARDED: 72,000 - 3 -

ANNOUNCEMENT : PY259

COMM GROUP : CHICKEN, FROZEN INVITATION : 021

COMMODITY TYPE : CHICKEN, FRESH/FROZEN BULK LG

PACK SIZE : OVER 3.75 LB BULK PACK

CONTRACTOR NAME: GOLD KIST POULTRY CO. PLANT ADDRESS : BOAZ

----DESTINATION----ITEM QUANTITY PRICE PER (LBS ) CITY ST (LB ) NUM ----- --\_\_\_\_\_ 216,000 \$ 0.4424 020 BOAZ  $\mathtt{AL}$ 

TOTAL AWARDED: 216,000

CONTRACTOR NAME: TYSON FOODS, INC. PLANT ADDRESS : NEW HOLLAND

----DESTINATION---- QUANTITY PRICE PER ITEM NUM CITY ST (LBS ) (LB ) \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_ \_ \_ \_

021 NEW HOLLAND PA 1,800,000 \$ 0.4675 NO TOLERANCE (See note.)

1,800,000 TOTAL AWARDED:

\*NOTE: NO WEIGHT VARIATION WILL BE ALLOWED FOR PURCHASE UNITS UNDER THIS ITEM NUMBER. ANY PURCHASE UNIT WEIGHING LESS THAN 36,000 POUNDS WILL BE REJECTED.

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